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Inventor(s): Street et al.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
Box Patent Application
Washington, DC 20231



Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of the Inventor(s), Streeton et al., for the invention entitled: CONTINUOUS MAT MAKING PROCESS AND PRODUCT

1. Enclosed are 3 sheet(s) of formal drawings.

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I hereby state that this correspondence and a copy thereof, along with: (1) 7 pages of Specification; (2) 5 pages of Claims; (3) 1 page of the Abstract; (4) 3 pages of Formal Drawings; (5) 1 page of the Non-publication Request form; and (6) a postcard are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10, with the Express Mail label number indicated above and on the date indicated above and is addressed to BOX PATENT APPLICATION, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

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However, the Express Mail envelope was returned to us today, December 5, 2001, along with the enclosed letter from the U.S. Postal Service. We respectfully request that the enclosed application be given the submission date of December 4, 2001 as a filing date.

If you have any questions about this request please contact me at the phone number listed below. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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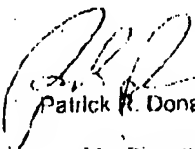
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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST
UNDER
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor

Streeton et al.

Title

**Continuous Mat Making Process and
Product**

Atty Docket Number

5309

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not** be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

December 4, 2001

Date

Charlotte C. Wilson

Signature

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Agent for Applicant(s)

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